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Examiner:

NIP-239

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of

Y. KIYOTOKI et al

Serial No. 09/939,591

Filed: August 28, 2001

For: CORROSION-RESISTING AND WEAR-RESISTING

ALLOY AND DEVICE USING THE SAME

## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND AMENDMENT

Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed

February 13, 2003, Applicants elect to prosecute the invention

defined by the Examiner in Group I, including claims 1-9.

## IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 10, 11, 13 and 14 without prejudice or disclaimer.

## REMARKS

Claims 10, 11, 13 and 14 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer in order to be prosecuted in a divisional application.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any payment due to deposit account no. 50-1417.

Examination is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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